# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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RAYMOND AIGBEKAEN
as next friend of
DOMINICK PUGLIESE

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Petitioner, : Civ. No. 20-7972 (NLH)

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v. : OPINION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondents.

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#### APPEARANCE:

Raymond Aigbekaen, No. 94655-379 FCI Fort Dix Inmate Mail/Parcels EAST: P.O. BOX 2000 Fort Dix, NJ 08640

Movant Pro se

Dominick Pugliese 72837-067 Fort Dix Federal Correctional Institution P.O. Box 2000 Joint Base MDL, NJ 08640

Petitioner Pro se

### HILLMAN, District Judge

Movant Raymond Aigbekaen seeks to bring a petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 on behalf of Dominick Pugliese without prepayment of fees or security. See ECF No. 1 (petition).

# Filing Fee

The filing fee for a petition for writ of habeas corpus is \$5.00. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 54.3(a), the filing fee is required to be paid at the time the petition is presented for filing. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 81.2(b), whenever a prisoner submits a petition for writ of habeas corpus and seeks to proceed in forma pauperis, that petitioner must submit (a) an affidavit setting forth information which establishes that the petitioner is unable to pay the fees and costs of the proceedings, and (b) a certification signed by an authorized officer of the institution certifying (1) the amount presently on deposit in the prisoner's prison account and, (2) the greatest amount on deposit in the prisoner's institutional account during the six-month period prior to the date of the certification. If the institutional account of the petitioner exceeds \$200, the petitioner shall not be considered eligible to proceed in forma pauperis. L. Civ. R. 81.2(c).

Here, Movant has failed to either include the \$5 filing fee or an application to proceed <u>in forma pauperis</u>. Movant must either submit the \$5 filing fee or a complete application to proceed <u>in forma pauperis</u> for his habeas petition to be considered.

# Conclusion

For the reason set forth above, the Clerk of Court will be ordered to administratively terminate this Petition without prejudice. Movant will be granted leave to apply to re-open within thirty (30) days, by paying the filing fee of \$5.00 or submitted a complete <u>in forma pauperis</u> application. An appropriate Order will be entered.

Dated: July 2, 2020
At Camden, New Jersey

s/ Noel L. Hillman NOEL L. HILLMAN, U.S.D.J.

¹ Such an administrative termination is not a "dismissal" for purposes of the statute of limitations, and if the case is reopened pursuant to the terms of the accompanying Order, it is not subject to the statute of limitations time bar if it was originally submitted timely. See Houston v. Lack, 487 U.S. 266 (1988) (prisoner mailbox rule); Papotto v. Hartford Life & Acc. Ins. Co., 731 F.3d 265, 275-76 (3d Cir. 2013) (collecting cases and explaining that a District Court retains jurisdiction over, and can re-open, administratively closed cases).